GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – P.R. & R.D. Department - Allegations of irregularities in execution of community works executed by the Zilla Praja Parishad, Chittoor - Disciplinary proceedings against **Sri K. Chandrasekhar Reddy, the then Executive Engineer, PRI, Chitoor and presently working as Superintending Engineer, PR (FAC), Chittoor** under Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991- Articles of charges - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.42 **Dated:10.01.2024.**

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G.O.Rt.No.32, PR&RD (Vig.II) Department, Dt:10.01.2024.

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ORDER:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government for instituting common disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991, among others, against **Sri K. Chandrasekhar Reddy, the then Executive Engineer, PRI, Chitoor and presently working as Superintending Engineer, PR (FAC), Chittoor** vide reference read above, it is proposed to hold an enquiry against him in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to hold is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charge (Annexure-I and II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the article of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III and IV).

3. **Sri K. Chandrasekhar Reddy, the then Executive Engineer, PRI, Chitoor and presently working as Superintending Engineer, PR (FAC), Chittoor** is directed to submit his written statement of defense within (10) days of the receipt of this order.

4. **Sri K. Chandrasekhar Reddy, the then Executive Engineer, PRI, Chitoor and presently working as Superintending Engineer, PR (FAC), Chittoor** is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges, which are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. **Sri K. Chandrasekhar Reddy, the then Executive Engineer, PRI, Chitoor and presently working as Superintending Engineer, PR (FAC), Chittoor** is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in Para-3 above, or does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of the A.P.C.S. [CC&A] Rules, 1991, or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the inquiring authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.

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6. **Sri K. Chandrasekhar Reddy, the then Executive Engineer, PRI, Chittoor and presently working as Superintending Engineer, PR (FAC), Chittoor** is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matter pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings it will be presumed that he is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this G.O. may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada.
Sri K. Chandrasekhar Reddy, the then Executive Engineer, PRI, Chitoor and presently working as Superintending Engineer, PR (FAC), Chittoor (w.e) through the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada) (with a request to serve the charges on the individual and furnish a served copy to Govt.,)

Copy to:
The Secretary to Vigilance Commission, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
The PR&RD (Estt.I) Department.
The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Praja Parishad, Chittoor District
The PR&RD (Mdl. II) Department.
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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT SHOWING THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR REDDY, E.E, PRI DIVISION, CHITOOR AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS S.E (FAC), PR CIRCLE, CHITTOOR

As per D.G, Vigilance Report No. 20 (C.NO. 6243/V&E/ENGG.2021), dt: 01.05.2023 Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chitoor had committed certain irregularities and he is responsible for substandard execution in the following works. Hence the following charges :

Sl. No. of Work	Nomenclature of work	Charge
Work No. 4 (i)	Construction of New ZP meeting Hall in first floor of existing meting hall at Chittoor (Part-I)	Charge No.1 : That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chittoor, had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and recommended the bill for payment despite inferior quality of CC work and also recommended bill without obtaining QC certificate for payment despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following : The quality of M25 grade concrete used in plinth beam was found to be doubtful and was liable for rejection and an amount of Rs.2,14,657/- is value of this item of work.
Work No. 4 (iv)	Construction of New ZP meeting Hall in first floor of existing meeting hall at Chittoor (Part-IV)	Charge No.2: That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chittoor had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and recommended the bill for payment despite inferior quality of CC work and also recommended bill without obtaining QC certificate for payment despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following : The CC cores did not attain the strength requirements of specified grade of concrete for M25 grade as per IS 456.2000 and an amount of Rs.3,06,593/- is value of this item of work.
Work No. 4 (v)	Construction of New ZP meeting Hall in first floor of existing meting hall at Chittoor (Part-V)	Charge No.3: That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chittoor had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and recommended the bill for payment despite

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		inferior quality of CC work and also recommended bill without obtaining QC certificate for payment despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following : a. The wall paneling was not executed as per the specification of the agreement, instead of high density particle board substrate with a laminated facing as per the approved shade & a melamine balancing layer on the reverse side with a special perforation pattern fluted perforation on the visible surface, plywood and laminated sheets were used for wall paneling and an amount of RS.9,23,076/- is value of this work. b. The CC cores did not attain the strength requirements of specified grade of concrete for M25 grade as per IS 456.2000 and an amount of Rs.2,59,768/- is value of this item of work.
Work No. 4 (viii)	Providing furniture to new ZP meeting hall at Chittoor	Charge No.4 : That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chittoor had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and entrusted the work on nomination basis without calling for tenders in violation of i. G.O.Ms.NO.2, Finance (Works & Projects-F7) Dept., dt: 03.02.2014; ii. G.O.Ms.NO.124, PR&RD (Progs. I) Dept., dt: 25.08.2014; b. recommended the bill without obtaining QC certificate for payment despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following : a. The recorded length of senate table was 10'9" whereas the actual length was 10'6" and an amount of RS.12,972/- is value for shortfall length of this item; b. The recorded length of other table was 8'8" whereas the actual length was 8'6" and an amount of RS.16,785/- is the value of shortfall length of this item;

Work No. 4 (xiii)	Construction of Dining cum Toilet block to new ZP meeting hall at Chittoor	Charge No.5 : That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chittoor had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and recommended the bill for payment despite inferior quality of CC work and recommended the bill for payment without obtaining QC certificate and despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following : The structure was found to be liable for rejection and should be relaid at the cost and risk of the agency or an amount of RS.16,37,606 is proposed for recovery from the contractor towards rejection of structure.

By his above mentioned acts, Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chittoor, failed to discharge his duties, exhibited lack of devotion to duty and lack of integrity and behaved in a manner unbecoming of a Government servant and thereby contravened the Rules 3(1), 3(2) and 3(5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT SHOWING MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR REDDY, THE THEN E.E, PRI DIVISION, CHITOOR AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS S.E, PR (FAC), CHITTOOR

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The General Administration (V&E) Department in Vigilance Report Nos. 20 (C.No. 6243/V&E/ENGG/2021), Dated: 1.5.2023 and informed that the Vigilance & Enforcement Department conducted enquiry on the allegation of poor quality in the community works executed by the Zilla Paraja Parishad, Chittoor and furnished Vigilance Report.

2. As per the Vigilance Report, the irregularities and lapses on the part of Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Chittoor, for the following works are as follows :

Sl. No. of Work	Nomenclature of work	Charge
Work No. 4 (i)	Construction of New ZP meeting Hall in first floor of existing meting hall at Chittoor (Part-I)	That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chitoor had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and recommended the bill for payment despite inferior quality of CC work and also recommended bill without obtaining QC certificate for payment despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following : the quality of M25 grade concrete used in plinth beam was found to be doubtful and was liable for rejection and an amount of Rs.2,14,657/- is value of this item of work. Hence charge no.1
Work No. 4 (iv)	Construction of New ZP meeting Hall in first floor of existing meeting hall at Chittoor (Part-IV)	That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chitoor had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and recommended the bill for payment despite inferior quality of CC work and also recommended bill without obtaining QC certificate for payment despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following : The CC cores did not attain the strength requirements of specified grade of concrete for M25 grade as per IS 456.2000 and an

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		amount of Rs.3,06,593/- is value of this item of work. Hence charge no.2
Work No. 4 (v)	Construction of New ZP meeting Hall in first floor of existing meting hall at Chittoor (Part-V)	That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chittoor had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and recommended the bill for payment despite inferior quality of CC work and also recommended bill without obtaining QC certificate for payment despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following : a. The wall paneling was not executed as per the specification of the agreement, instead of high density particle board substrate with a laminated facing as per the approved shade & a melamine balancing layer on the reverse side with a special perforation pattern fluted perforation on the visible surface, plywood and laminated sheets were used for wall paneling and an amount of RS.9,23,076/- is value of this work. b. The CC cores did not attain the strength requirements of specified grade of concrete for M25 grade as per IS 456.2000 and an amount of Rs.2,59,768/- is value of this item of work. Hence charge no.3
Work No. 4 (viii)	Providing furniture to new ZP meeting hall at Chittoor	That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chitoor had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and entrusted the work on nomination basis without calling for tenders in violation of i. G.O.Ms.NO.2, Finance (Works & Projects-F7) Dept., dt: 03.02.2014; ii. G.O.Ms.NO.124, PR&RD (Progs. I) Dept., dt: 25.08.2014; b. recommended the bill without obtaining QC certificate for payment despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following :

			a. The recorded length of senate table was 10'9" whereas the actual length was 10'6" and an amount of RS.12,972/- is value for shortfall length of this item; b. The recorded length of other table was 8'8" whereas the actual length was 8'6" and an amount of RS.16,785/- is the value of shortfall length of this item; Hence charge no.4
Work No. 4 (xiii)	Construction of Dining cum Toilet block to new ZP meeting hall at Chittoor		That the said Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chitoor, had committed certain irregularities in execution of the work and recommended the bill for payment despite inferior quality of CC work and recommended the bill for payment without obtaining QC certificate and despite inferior quality of work and responsible for the following : The structure was found to be liable for rejection and should be relaid at the cost and risk of the agency or an amount of RS.16,37,606 is proposed for recovery from the contractor towards rejection of structure. Hence charge no.5.

As per the findings of V&E Report, Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chitoor, has recommended the bill for payment without QC certificate despite inferior quality of above works.

By his above mentioned acts, Sri K. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, the then E.E, PRI Division, Chitoor, failed to discharge his duties, exhibited lack of devotion to duty and lack of integrity and behaved in a manner unbecoming of a Government servant and thereby contravened the Rules 3(1), 3(2) and 3(5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence, the above charges.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR REDDY, THE THEN E.E, PRI DIVISION, CHITOOR AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS S.E, PR (FAC), CHITOOR ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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I. DG, Vigilance Report No. 20 (C.NO. 6243/V&E/ENGG.2021), dt: 01.05.2023

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR REDDY, THE THEN E.E, PRI DIVISION, CHITOOR AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS S.E, PR (FAC), CHITOORARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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